

## **CHAPTER 6**

### **ELECTED TOWN BOARDS AND OFFICERS**

#### **Section 1      General Provisions**

**6-1-1**            Beginning with the first town election held after the adoption of this charter, the officers and boards to be elected by vote of the town shall be: a moderator, a regional technical high School Committee representative, a Board of Selectmen as provided in Chapter 3, a housing authority, and a School Committee.

**6-1-2**            Boards and commissions established or continued under this chapter shall perform their functions and duties in accordance with the constitution, general law, this charter, and by-laws.

**6-1-3**            During the term for which he is elected, and for one year following expiration of his term, no officer or member of any board or commission established under this chapter shall be eligible to accept any appointed, paid town position placed under the jurisdiction of the respective office or board vacated.

#### **Section 2      Vacancies**

**6-2-1**            Except as otherwise provided, vacancies in elected town boards established under this charter shall be filled by the Board of Selectmen together with the remaining members of the respective board, in accordance with the provisions of general law.

#### **Section 3      Moderator**

**6-3-1**            A moderator shall be elected for a three-year term. The moderator shall: (a) preside at all town meetings; (b) appoint the members of the Finance Committee; (c) appoint all ad hoc committees of the town meeting in accordance with clause 2-7-1 and (d) preside at any hearing called to discuss the suspension or removal of the Town Manager.

#### **Section 4      Regional School Representative**

**6-4-1**            A Greater Lawrence Regional Technical High School District Committee representative shall be elected for a three-year term.

## **Section 5      School Committee**

**6-5-1**            A School Committee of five members shall be elected at large for three-year overlapping terms.

## **Section 6      Housing Authority**

**6-6-1**            There shall be a housing authority of five members, one of whom shall be appointed under authority of the commonwealth and four of whom shall be elected. All members shall serve five year overlapping terms.